



**The City of Hoboken
Community Development Block Grant
Annual Action for Program Year 2016**

Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The City of Hoboken has prepared the HUD Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2016 Annual Action Plan, which covers the second year goals described in the City's 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. The Action Plan identifies the activities to be funded with CDBG funds to be received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Program Year 2016. The FY 2016 Annual Action Plan will serve the following functions for the City:

- An application for federal funds under HUD's formula grant programs; and
- An action plan that provides a basis for assessing the City's performance of HUD's goals.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

The National goals for the housing and community development programs covered by the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are:

- To provide decent housing;
- To establish and maintain a suitable living environment; and
- To expand economic development opportunities primarily for persons of low-to-moderate income.

The City anticipates that 100% of its Program Year 2016 CDBG funds will be expended for activities that benefit low to moderate-income persons. For Program Year 2016, the City anticipates receiving from HUD \$1,096,150 of CDBG funds.

The City will fund activities in furtherance of the objectives and priorities identified in the Consolidated Plan's Five-year Strategic Plan covering 2015-2019.

3. Evaluation of past performance

Performance of completed and ongoing community development projects and public service activities are currently monitored in various ways depending on the type of program and reporting requirements. The City conducted in-person monitoring visits with a select group of sub recipients receiving Program Year 2015 funds during the month of March 2016. The activity of monitoring sub

recipients helps promote quality performance, as well as identifying any need for further technical assistance. The following are types of monitoring are performed by staff throughout Program Year 2015:

- Performance Monitoring;
- Public Service program income-benefit monitoring;
- Financial monitoring;
- Davis-Bacon Compliance; and
- Environmental Review Compliance.

The City will report progress on meeting its five-year and annual goals through the Consolidated Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER). As a first year Entitlement Community, Hoboken's first CAPER will be prepared subsequent to the submission of the 2016 Annual Action Plan to HUD.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

The City followed procedures from its Citizen Participation Plan in preparing the Program Year 2016 Annual Action Plan, advertising the amount of annual financial assistance expected to be received from HUD and the range of activities to be undertaken by the City with allocated funds.

The City announced the availability of 2016 CDBG applications via a February 19, 2016 press release and social media (Facebook) updates. The announcement was also posted on the City's website on the day of the press release. The notice contained instructions on requesting an application, which are currently due on April 1, 2016. The Jersey Journal published the announcement on March 9, 2016.

The City conducted a CDBG Annual Action Plan Public Meeting on March 3, 2016. A public notice for this meeting was published in the Jersey Journal on February 6, 2016. An online survey was made available through the City's website on February 1, 2016 and will close on April 1, 2016. City staff presented an overview of the CDBG program before an approximately one-hour public hearing. Current survey results, as of March 3, were made available during the presentation. Once a DRAFT Annual Action Plan is prepared, a hard copy will be available for review at the City of Hoboken Public Library, the City Clerk's Office, and in the Department of Community Development in Hoboken City Hall. A second public hearing will take place at a Hoboken City Council meeting on May 4, 2016 where the Annual Action Plan will be considered for approval.

All materials will be available in a form accessible to persons with disabilities and in a style for individuals that do not speak English, when requested. A total of 237 individuals responded to the survey as of April 1, 2016.

5. Summary of public comments

The City held an Annual Action Plan Public Meeting on March 3, 2016. City staff made a presentation of the CDBG program and its National Objectives, current and previous funding levels, current projects and goals. Attendees included representatives from the Hoboken Shelter, Hoboken Housing Authority, Urban Renewal Corporation, Hudson County Cancer Coalition, Hoboken Family Planning, Boys and Girls Club of Hudson County, Jersey City's Division of Community Development, HOPES Community Action Partnership, MBS Urban Renewal, Hoboken Public Library, Saint Matthews Trinity Church, True Mentors, The Sharing Place, and Yolan Society Church. Representatives from The Jubilee Center and Mile Square Early Learning Center submitted comments regarding their programs via email.

Comments are summarized as follows: 13 persons spoke in support of funding homeless services and facilities; 2 persons spoke in support of funding improvements (quality of life and infrastructure) to the Hoboken Housing Authority; 2 persons spoke in support of funding health care services; 1 person spoke in support of funding youth services; 1 person spoke in support of child care services. A summary of public comments is attached to the Annual Action Plan.

The City held a second public hearing at the May 4, 2016 Council Meeting. **[INSERT SUMMARY OF COMMENTS HERE]**

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

No comments were rejected.

7. Summary

The City followed procedures from its Citizen Participation Plan in preparing the Program Year 2016 Annual Action Plan, advertising the amount of annual financial assistance expected to be received from HUD, and the range of activities to be undertaken by the City with resulting funds.

The City of Hoboken announced on February 1, 2016, through the City's website and Facebook, a CDBG Annual Action Plan Public Meeting, held on March 3, 2016. An online survey was made available at this time to gather public feedback on certain types of public services and public facilities within the City.

A public notice regarding the City's Annual Action Plan meeting was published in the Jersey Journal on February 6, 2016. Physical copies of this public notice were also posted at the City's Multi-Service Center, the Hoboken Public Library and the Hoboken Housing Authority. On February 16, 2016, HUD notified the City of Hoboken of its FY 2016 CDBG allocation, in the amount of \$1,096,150. The City announced the amount and availability of these funds via a February 19, 2016 press release and social media. Instructions on requesting an application were included with all public notifications. The Jersey Journal published the announcement on March 9, 2016.

All notices of public meetings and available funds were forwarded by City Staff to current CDBG sub recipients. The Annual Action Plan Survey was closed on April 1, 2016 at 4:00PM. A total of 237 individuals responded to the survey.

A 30-day public comment period for the DRAFT Annual Action Plan was published by the **[INSERT PUBLICATION]** from **[INSERT DATE]** to **[INSERT DATE]**.

A second public hearing was held at the May 4, 2016 City Council Meeting to approve the 2016 CDBG Annual Action Plan. The notice for this meeting was published on **[INSERT DATE]** by the **[INSERT PUBLICATION]**. The City will announce its 2016 Program Year sub recipients before or in the month of June 2016.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
CDBG Administrator	HOBOKEN	Department of Community Development

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The City of Hoboken is responsible for preparing the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan and subsequent Annual Action Plans. All CDBG funds are administered by the City of Hoboken.

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AP-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The City of Hoboken encouraged a high level of public communication and agency consultation in an effort to demonstrate its commitment to identifying priority needs and engaging the participation of citizens, public agencies, and non-profit organizations in a positive and collaborative manner. The City reached out for input, through an online survey and public hearings, from public and private agencies that provide services to the City's most vulnerable populations such as elderly, youth, public housing residents, persons with disabilities, and the homeless. The five-year goals identified in the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan are the basis for the goals and funding priorities in the 2016 Annual Action Plan.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l)).

The City of Hoboken is part of the Hudson County HOME Consortium, and will continue to support the nexus between affordable housing and supportive services where possible.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Continuum of Care (CoC) Program is designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. The City of Hoboken 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan references the 2015-2019 Hudson County Consolidated Plan as listing the following regional facilities for emergency shelter, transitional and permanent supportive housing:

Emergency Shelter for Adult Individuals

- Catholic Community Services Archdiocese, St. Lucy's Shelter
- Communities of Faith for Housing Inc., Hoboken Shelter
- Hudson County Division of Welfare Hotels/Motel Placement
- Palisades Emergency Residence Corp., PERC Shelter & Drop in Center

Emergency Shelter for Homeless Families

- Hope House
- PERC Shelter
- Hudson County Division of Motel Placements
- North Hudson Community Action Corporation/Motel Placements

Housing for Homeless Families

- St. Joseph's Home
- Women Rising Project Home

Transitional Housing for Adult Individuals

- Catholic Community Services Archdiocese Franciska Residence
- EMET Realty Transitional Housing- Hudson County
- The House of Faith Inc.

Transitional Housing for Youth (Under 18 yrs.)

- Catholic Community Services Archdiocese Edna McLaughlin Home

Permanent Supportive Housing for Mixed Populations

- Catholic Community Services Archdiocese. Cannan House & Edna McLaughlin House
- Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corporation. Corpus Christi Ministries, PERC Shelter, RIST Program, Home at Last
- United Way of Hudson County.
- Life Starts 1 & II Program

The City of Hoboken is committed to supporting the Hudson County's Continuum of Care program; financially assisting, to the extent possible, those organizations that serve homeless populations in Hoboken and throughout Hudson County.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

This section is not applicable, as the City does not receive ESG funds. City of Hoboken staff has served on both Hudson County's and Jersey City's ESG application review committees.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultation

1	Agency/Group/Organization	HOBOKEN SHELTER
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in the City's Annual Action Plan Public Meeting on March 3, 2016 and were given access to the online survey. Will receive notification of the 30-day comment period and the May 4, 2016 Public Hearing.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	HOBOKEN HOUSING AUTHORITY
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	PHA
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Public Housing Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in the City's Annual Action Plan Public Meeting on March 3, 2016 and were given access to the online survey. Will receive notification of the 30-day comment period and the May 4, 2016 Public Hearing.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	HOBOKEN FAMILY PLANNING
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in the City's Annual Action Plan Public Meeting on March 3, 2016 and were given access to the online survey. Will receive notification of the 30-day comment period and the May 4, 2016 Public Hearing.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	HOPES CAP
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	Participated in the City's Annual Action Plan Public Meeting on March 3, 2016 and were given access to the online survey. Will receive notification of the 30-day comment period and the May 4, 2016 Public Hearing.

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

The City of Hoboken conducted extensive outreach to include as many agencies as possible and did not actively exclude any organizations from the process.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Hudson County Department of Housing and Community Development	The City of Hoboken, in partnership with the Hudson County Division of Health and Human Services with the Continuum of Care framework, strives to provide the necessary services for this community. A wide-array of private not-for-profit organizations like Catholic Charities and the United Way also provides a strong framework. The City will continue to meet with the Hudson County Continuum of Care to discuss mutual needs, resources, and services in order to better maximize and coordinate the provision of each other agencies, programs and services to the low and very low-income families, seniors, and disabled persons in Hoboken.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation

Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

Throughout the development of the Consolidated Plan and subsequent Annual Action Plans, citizen input is sought and encouraged. City of Hoboken staff developed a citizen participation plan at the start of the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan process to guide yearly program discourse.

The City of Hoboken will host two public hearings every year as part of the Annual Action Plan process. Typically, these hearings may consist of either:

1. A meeting to gather public input and funding for current program year;
2. A meeting to open a DRAFT Five-Year Plan and One-Year Plan to the general public; and/or
3. A city council meeting, where legislation regarding the annual action plan is read and/or considered for approval.

Also, each year, a public hearing will be held once the draft plan is complete, to solicit comments on the strategies and proposed use of funds. Public hearings will be conveniently timed and located for people who will benefit from the program funds, and will be accessible to persons with special needs.

Generally, the City of Hoboken provides residents many opportunities to provide input to the decision making process. Residents are encouraged to attend and participate in City Council meetings, neighborhood rehabilitation/redevelopment meetings, park design surveys, numerous boards (Historic Preservation, Shade Tree Commission, etc.) and public hearings designed to solicit public comments. These avenues of engagement allow City officials to sense the needs and views of city residents and factor them into decision-making actions. Recognizing and communicating the needs and interests of all participants promotes a sustainable decision making process.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/ attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons
Public Meeting	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	23 People signed into the meeting.	<p>March 3, 2016 Public Meeting Notes are attached.</p> <p>Comments are summarized as follows: 13 persons spoke in support of funding homeless services and facilities; 2 persons spoke in support of funding improvements (quality of life and infrastructure) to the Hoboken Housing Authority; 2 persons spoke in support of funding health care services; 1 person spoke in support of funding youth services; 1 person spoke in support of child care services. A summary of public comments is attached to the Annual Action Plan.</p>	The City conducted extensive outreach to include as many agencies as possible and did not actively exclude any organizations from the process.
Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	TBD (May 4, 2016)	TBD (May 4, 2016)	The City conducted extensive outreach to include as many agencies as possible and did not actively exclude any organizations from the process.

Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/ attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons
Internet Outreach	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	237 Unduplicated Responses	<p>The CDBG Public Survey was posted on the City website on February 1, 2016 and was closed to new responses at 4:00PM on Friday, April 1, 2016. The survey asked how important certain types of Public Services and Public Facilities, respectively, are within the City of Hoboken. Respondents were able to select a range between “None”, “A Little”, “Some”, and “A Lot”.</p> <p>The top three supported categories, as indicated by residents choosing they would support a service or facility “A Lot”, are as follows:</p> <p><u>Public Services</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Homeless Outreach and Shelter Services: 186 (78.48%) 2. Health Services: 142 (59.92%) 3. Youth Services: 134 (56.54%) <p><u>Public Facilities</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Homeless Facilities: 189 (79.75%) 2. Youth Centers: 128 (54.01%) 3. Health Facilities: 123 (51.90%) <p>A summary of public comments is attached to the Annual Action Plan.</p>	The City conducted extensive outreach to include as many agencies as possible and did not actively exclude any organizations from the process.

Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/ attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons
Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p>	<p>A public notice regarding the City's Annual Action Plan meeting was published in the Jersey Journal on February 6, 2016. A 30-day public comment period for the DRAFT Annual Action Plan was published by the [INSERT PUBLICATION] from [INSERT DATE] to [INSERT DATE].</p>	No comments received.	<p>The City conducted extensive outreach to include as many agencies as possible and did not actively exclude any organizations from the process.</p>

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.420(b), 91.220(c) (1, 2)

Introduction

The City of Hoboken has prepared the 2016 Annual Action Plan, which covers the goals described in the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan. The Annual Action Plan identifies the activities to be funded with CDBG funds to be received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in 2016.

The FY 2016 Annual Action Plan will serve the following functions for the City:

- An application for federal funds under HUD's formula grant programs, and
- An action plan that provides a basis for assessing the City's performance of HUD's CDBG primary objective of creating viable communities.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Reminder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	1,096,150	0	1,086,876	2,183,026	1,639,588	Program Year 2015 funds awarded July 1, 2015, however sub recipients not finalized until October 2015. Previous year public facility projects expected to make progress with expenditures in Spring 2016. Expected amount available assumes a similar annual allocation over each of the remaining 3 years.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

The City of Hoboken does not anticipate any additional outside funds at this time to support CDBG funded projects and activities in the short term.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

Not applicable. The City currently does not have any surplus publicly owned land to satisfy the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

Discussion

If and when appropriate State or Federal resources are available to match existing HUD CDBG programs and activities in the short term, such efforts will be made to optimize local benefit.

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Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Consolidated Plan Goal Name	Consolidated Plan Start Year	Consolidated Plan End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	PY 2016 Funding	PY 2015 Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Public Services	2015	2019	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development	Hoboken 2010 DTN low Mod Income Map	Public Services	CDBG: \$164,422.50	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 400 Persons Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 50 Persons Assisted Overnight/Emergency Shelter/Transitional Housing Beds added: 50 Beds Homelessness Prevention: 50 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Consolidated Plan Goal Name	Consolidated Plan Start Year	Consolidated Plan End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	PY 2016 Funding	PY 2015 Goal Outcome Indicator
2	Public Facilities	2015	2019	Non-Housing Community Development	Hoboken 2010 DTN low Mod Income Map	Public Facility Improvements	CDBG: \$831,726.50	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 182 Persons Assisted Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 165 Households Assisted
3	Program Planning and Administration	2015	2019	Administration	Hoboken 2010 DTN low Mod Income Map	Program Administration	CDBG: \$100,000	Administration and Planning – Outcome Indicators are not applicable.

Table 6 - Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	The City of Hoboken is facilitating a competitive process to select Public Service projects. Applications are due April 1, 2016 at 4:00PM. An Ad-Hoc City Council Subcommittee will select applicants based on an application scoring matrix and community need to recommend award of funding.
2	Goal Name	Public Facilities
	Goal Description	The City of Hoboken is facilitating a competitive process to select Public Facility projects. Applications are due April 1, 2016 at 4:00PM. An Ad-Hoc City Council Subcommittee will select applicants based on an application scoring matrix and community need to recommend award of funding.
3	Goal Name	Program Planning and Administration
	Goal Description	Program Planning and Administration funding will support community development staff and other in-house operational salary.

Table 7 – Goal Descriptions

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The City of Hoboken is facilitating a competitive process to select Public Facility projects. Applications are due April 1, 2016 at 4:00PM. An Ad-Hoc City Council Subcommittee will select applicants based on an application scoring matrix and community need to recommend award of funding. Funding priorities could include:

1. Facility improvements to the Hoboken Housing Authority, providing better access to public housing residents; and
2. Public Service funding for programs such as Child Care and Youth Services.

#	Project Name
1	Public Housing Authority Improvements
2	Homeless Facility Improvements
3	Youth Services
4	Homeless Services
5	Legal Services
6	Health Care Services
7	Child Care Services
8	Handicapped Services
9	Planning and Administration

Table 8 – Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

Funding allocations are reviewed and recommended by the City Council Ad-Hoc CDBG Subcommittee, based on an application scoring matrix and community need. Obstacles to addressing City-wide service needs are primarily due to 15% Public Service funding cap.

AP-38 Project Summary

Project Summary Information

The projects itemized below were funded in Program Year 2015. The City of Hoboken will announce its 2016 Program Year sub recipients before or in the month of June 2016.

1	Project Name	Public Housing Authority Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$386,250
	Description	Fox Hill Gardens - Hoboken Housing Authority
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	182
	Location Description	Fox Hill Gardens - Hoboken Housing Authority
	Planned Activities	CDBG funding provides for the modernization of two elevators in a public housing apartment building.
2	Project Name	Homeless Facility Improvements
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Facilities
	Needs Addressed	Public Facility Improvements
	Funding	CDBG: \$338,924.60
	Description	Hoboken Shelter - 300 Bloomfield Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030

	Target Date	12/31/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	150
	Location Description	301 Bloomfield Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030
	Planned Activities	CDBG funding will provide capital improvements to a facility serving homeless persons within the City of Hoboken.
3	Project Name	Youth Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$47,500
	Description	Boys and Girls Clubs of Hudson County: Rising STAR's: Science, Technology, Art and Reading; Boys and Girls Clubs of Hudson County: Triple Play Healthy Habits; Jubilee Center: Investing in Children; True Mentors: Mentorship and Club Expansion
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	296
	Location Description	City of Hoboken, City Wide
	Planned Activities	Providing Youth Services to children throughout the City via the Boys and Girls Club, True Mentors and The Jubilee Center.
4	Project Name	Homeless Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services

	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$3,391.70
	Description	Hoboken Shelter - Permanent Supportive Housing Program
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	22
	Location Description	Scattered Site Housing in Jersey City, NJ
	Planned Activities	Providing transportation for Permanent Supportive Housing Program residents in scattered site housing throughout Jersey City. Residents will take the bus to supportive housing services while in the program.
5	Project Name	Legal Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$10,000
	Description	The Waterfront Project
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	6
	Location Description	404 Hudson Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030
	Planned Activities	Funds will provide tenant advocacy services to low and moderate income persons within the City of Hoboken.

6	Project Name	Health Care Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$25,000
	Description	Hoboken Family Planning; Hudson County Cancer Coalition
	Target Date	
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	40
	Location Description	124 Grand Street, Hoboken, NJ 07030
	Planned Activities	Service providers will use CDBG funds to provide cancer screening and family planning services, respectively, to low and moderate income residents within the City of Hoboken.
7	Project Name	Child Care Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$75,139
	Description	Hoboken Day Care 100; HOPES CAP, Inc., Mile Square Early Learning Center
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	166
	Location Description	City of Hoboken, City-wide

	Planned Activities	CDBG funding will provide for child care services for low and moderate families within the City of Hoboken.
8	Project Name	Handicapped Services
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services
	Funding	CDBG: \$2,000
	Description	United Cerebral Palsy
	Target Date	6/30/2016
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	7
	Location Description	Service will be provided to residents throughout Hudson County.
	Planned Activities	CDBG funding will provide transportation for pick-up and drop-off for an afternoon program at the Hoboken location for individuals with development disabilities.
9	Project Name	Planning and Administration
	Target Area	
	Goals Supported	Program Planning and Administration
	Needs Addressed	Program Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$150,000
	Description	Resource development and management for Consolidated Plan strategies; Part 58 environmental review process; overall city management of Consolidated Plan; Overall administration of Public Services and Facilities; Financial Department administration.
	Target Date	6/30/2016

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	This is an administrative activity
	Location Description	This is an administrative activity
	Planned Activities	Resource development and management for Consolidated Plan strategies; Part 58 environmental review process; overall city management of Consolidated Plan; Overall administration of Public Services and Facilities; Financial Department administration.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Only within approved DTN areas as specified on the enclosed map.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Hoboken 2010 DTN low Mod Income Map	100

Table 9 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The City of Hoboken, in accordance with US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) rules and regulations will allocate resources either on a low-moderate income area benefit basis (LMA) which will correspond to Designated Target Neighborhoods (DTN) service areas, low-moderate income clientele (LMC) basis or on an Urgent Needs basis.

Discussion

The City of Hoboken is facilitating a competitive process to select Public Facility projects. Applications are due April 1, 2016 at 4:00PM. An Ad-Hoc City Council Subcommittee will recommend awards to applicants based on an application scoring matrix and community need. Funding priorities could include:

1. Facility improvements to the Hoboken Housing Authority, providing better access to public housing residents; and
2. Public Service funding for programs such as Child Care and Youth Services.

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City of Hoboken will continue to collaborate and support all Hudson County affordable housing initiatives through the Hudson County HOME Consortium. HOME funds are allocated at the County level.

The City of Hoboken is considered an Urban Aid community and is exempt from certain affordable housing quotas as required in other jurisdictions.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The Hudson County Division of Health has an active lead testing and lead treatment program. The City of Hoboken intends to support those efforts in ensuring that children and adults are aware of the dangers of lead poisoning.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City intends to work together with Hudson County to implement certain policies in the eradication of poverty and make services available for those in danger of becoming considered in-poverty.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

Introduction

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	100.00%

Attachments

- 1. CDBG Annual Action Plan Public Hearing Comments – March 3, 2016 (Page 31)**
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Attachment 1: CDBG Annual Action Plan Public Hearing Comments - March 3, 2016

CDBG ANNUAL ACTION PLAN PUBLIC HEARING March 3, 2016, 6:30 PM

Community Development Principal Planner Chris Brown provided a PowerPoint presentation to explain the CDBG program history, rules and current levels of funding.

Aaron Lewitt – Hoboken Shelter

Shelter operates independent of Hoboken. Shelters usually are the responsibility of cities. He hopes that the City can continue to provide funding for Shelter operations and improvements. Services are enriching and help people step away from their stress. The food is good and the volunteer services are remarkable.

Yvette Miles – Hoboken Housing Authority (311 Harrison) and works with the Boys and Girls Club

HHA- Generators are still needed as a lasting impact of Sandy. The HHA is still stuck in financial need. Nothing at HHA for kids; no common space for children. HHA had to “fight for police presence” in certain areas. Lots of kids from the HHA are now going to college.

When flooding occurs sewage backs up and smells terrible. There are often pile ups of sewage. Kids do not play outside in flood prone areas anymore because of the smell.

Mama Johnson Field is not being used by HHA residents. The field is constantly being used by Zog Sports and other leagues.

Boys and Girls Club-Superstorm Sandy impacted the Boys and Girls Club by tearing up the floor. The building needs new doors and new windows. Kids need to come to the B&G Club, so a bus would be a good additional service. There are several special needs children at the B&G Club.

Tina Russo – Hoboken Housing Authority (221 Jackson – Monroe Gardens)

No programs in the building for seniors. The building is run down, no upgrades are being made. No security, doors are broken. Residents are scared to walk their hallways due to lack of security. Laundry rooms are antiquated – the machines are constantly broken. The seniors in the building are not living with dignity. The elevator was not working for over a year at one point. The door dial-in system is obsolete. There is also no recycling in the Senior Building.

Annemarie Rizzo – Hoboken Shelter

Homeless residents need dignity. There is a significant population of homeless residents in Hoboken. More funding, the better off people will be.

Toni Tamarazzo – MBS Housing Urban Renewal, LLC

The facility has 96 SRO units for men, 97% occupancy rate, 100% of population is LMI. A vast majority are on some sort of special service (SSI, Disability, etc.). Many are referrals from the Hoboken Shelter. The building has struggled with faulty contracting and needs major facility repairs. There is a need to resurface communal areas. These repairs would allow the building to have room for services that they would like to build out. They need funding for physical repairs and the services.

Angela Russo – Jersey City Division of Community Development/Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness

Wants to continue working with the City of Hoboken to end homelessness and fill in gaps where needed.

Marissa Musachio – HOPES CAP

HOPES organizational goal is to end poverty. HOPES has variety of programs, specific to CDBG is their program serving children ages birth to 5 in their HEAD Start program. HOPES has been receiving money from the City for years and has allowed them to sponsor enrichment programs like yoga and soccer that students would otherwise not be exposed to. The goal for HOPES is to promote academic, social, mental health and spiritual wellness.

Tiffany Kane – Hoboken Shelter

Serves as a volunteer. It's an amazing moment watching someone transition from their situations. Loves being a volunteer. Urges support for the Shelter.

Tara Casazza – True Mentors

Question: How does the CDBG Program measure success? (CB: CAPER – Consolidated Action Plan Evaluation Report – measures population served. Applicants supplied original numbers and we measure the sub recipients on that number)
Internship Program and Club Mentorship program are great and hopes they will continue to be funded.

Laurie Parsons – Hoboken Shelter

Shelter is amazing because of staff. They work with people who can't be reached (because they live on the street with various ailments) and get them housed. Housing is needed for the down and out. Sickest people in our society should be helped first.

Lane Jacobs – Urban Renewal Corporation

Has worked with homeless for 25 years. Currently runs non-profit in a facility, Naval Reserve Center, in Kearny that provides overflow shelter to people throughout the County – including Hoboken Shelter. During emergencies (cold weather and snow) 30-35 people estimated come from Hoboken. They provide a shower and 2 meals per day and a warm place to sleep. They would like to fund substance abuse and Mental Health Services.

Joyce Adams – Hudson County Cancer Coalition

14-15 cases of cancer found last year in cases that would not have been found if not had access to free screening. HCCC works with under insured and non-insured. They provide cancer screening for free and also HIV screening. Would love to work with the Hoboken Shelter for further health screening.

Jim Nelson – Sharing Place – St Paul’s Lutheran (Jersey City)

Located in Jersey City, providing food for households, serving bags of food and provisions. County funding is declining, so making appeal to Hoboken for funding. Historically funded through County and Jersey City. 75% Jersey City residents/25% County (including Hoboken) residents served.

Jaclyn Cherubini- Hoboken Shelter

Thanks volunteers for their support. Running a \$150k/year deficit so not sure how they are going to make it to December. There is no more money and needs to figure out how to keep the lights on, provide warm beds and a safe place. Last year helped 130 neighbors get housing, needs money to keep services going – needs community support and City support to continue. A Shelter resident names “Louis” was mentioned as being featured in the recent newsletter. Louis was homeless for 10 years and 2015 Thanksgiving was her first holiday in her own home. The Shelter is advocating for operating funds to continue giving people like Louis these opportunities.

Richard Ward – Hoboken Family Planning

The organization has received money from the city over the past 4 years. They provide county-wide service wide. NJ CEED funding screens for cancer and seems secure now, however that can all change. As of Sept 1 they will not be able to screen for HIV; therefore that service is in jeopardy. HFP will apply for funding to supplement that program and ask for additional support in services. Will continue to provide medical support to homeless residents. Thanks City of Hoboken for their support throughout the years.

Keith Jackson – Hoboken Shelter

Housing program in Jersey City provides supportive services to residents in the Shelter. The housing program helps those residents maintain housing long-term. These are scattered sites developments throughout Jersey City.

Reverend David Stump – Hoboken Shelter

“Here-here to everything already said,” regarding the Hoboken Shelter.

Moss Allen – Hoboken Shelter

The Shelter offers “more than a bed and meals”. The Shelter provides services such as an art show with local artists in the public library. Also provides a computer workshop, which is needed to encourage employment. Computer access is needed to become employed and integrated. These types of services get residents into their own homes.

Leslie Neve – St. Matthew Trinity (8th and Hudson Street)

SMT offers lunch time ministry – which services residents with a place to stay and lunch. “The homeless in Hoboken are different because we know their names and you don’t find that in other places.”

Laura Knittel – Hoboken Library

Is there a way for these different groups and service providers to talk with one another? Would be great to have a directory or knowledge share (maybe City Hall website?) to share resources and answer questions. Library receives a lot of the homeless population. Information would be great as a tool.

Raul Garcia – Society of Youth, 1st Street Church of God

Works with Shelter, privileged to work with Shelter. Cuts hair for Shelter residents. Church runs a coat drive and a show drive for the Shelter. Shelter staff is amazing and grateful for what they receive. Employees feel kindness and love for working there. Homeless didn't choose to be there. Shelter residents and staff make him hope to be a better person, so we can't give up.

MESSAGES VIA EMAIL

From: David Shehigian [<mailto:dshehigian@jubileecenterhoboken.org>]
Sent: Thursday, March 03, 2016 3:15 PM
To: Chris Brown
Subject: Re: CDBG Annual Action Plan Meeting + Survey + Application

Hi Again Chris,

We've been having some health issues with one of my daughter's (she's got pneumonia) and although we thought we was in the clear she had a bad day at school and her Mom is asking me to help now as she has to work into the evening.

I wanted to know if it would in any way reflect poorly on the Jubilee if I weren't able to make this evening's meeting. I did of course already do the online survey but i know you were counting on us to be there.

Pls. advise and my apologies for any inconvenience.

Best,

David

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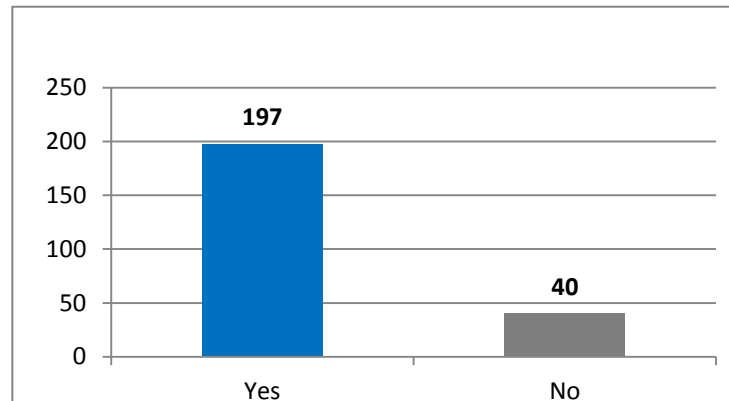
To: Chris Brown
Subject: meeting

Madelyn Bautista – Mile Square ELC (via Email)

I wanted to thank you for the meeting yesterday which was held at the Multi-Service Center. I was in attendance yet realized that I forgot to sign in. =(I was seated on the side of you with Marissa Mussachio. I didn't speak out last night, but I wanted you to know that Mile Square Early Learning Center has been in existence since 1979 and during that time, the demographics of Hoboken were different and 100% of the families we assisted were low and moderate-income families. Mile Square is grateful for the CDBG funding source that has helped Mile Square Early Learning Center throughout the years in implementing a quality, educational and a healthy balanced breakfast, lunch and snack daily to our Infant/Toddlers and Preschool Program. Today, Mile Square Early Learning Center provides the same quality enriched program to 51% of low and moderate-income families. Although there are many Child Care Programs in Hoboken today, there are less than a handful of programs in Hoboken that provide Subsidized Childcare to Infant, Toddler and Preschooler that are not only affordable, but educational that meet the academic and social/emotional areas of children as well as provide nutritional meals made on a daily basis to our children. Thank You.

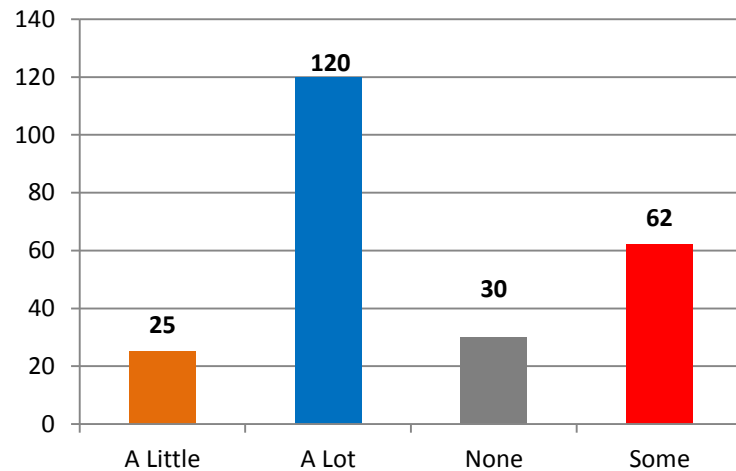
Attachment 2: CDBG Annual Action Plan Public Survey Results

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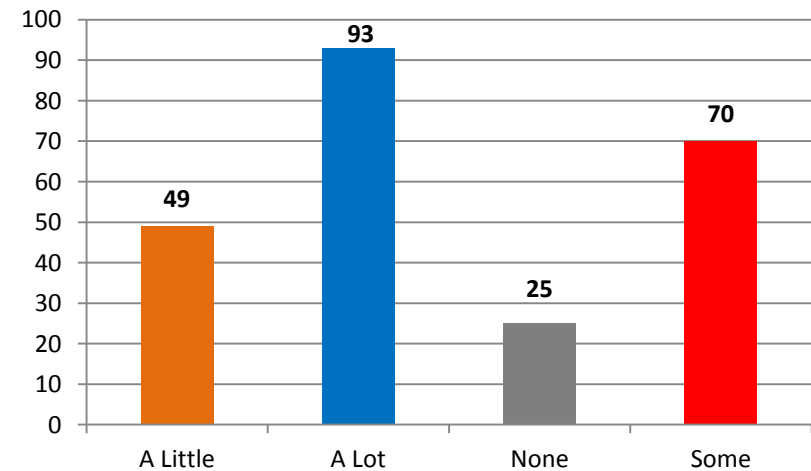


3. How important are the following types of Public Services within the City of Hoboken?

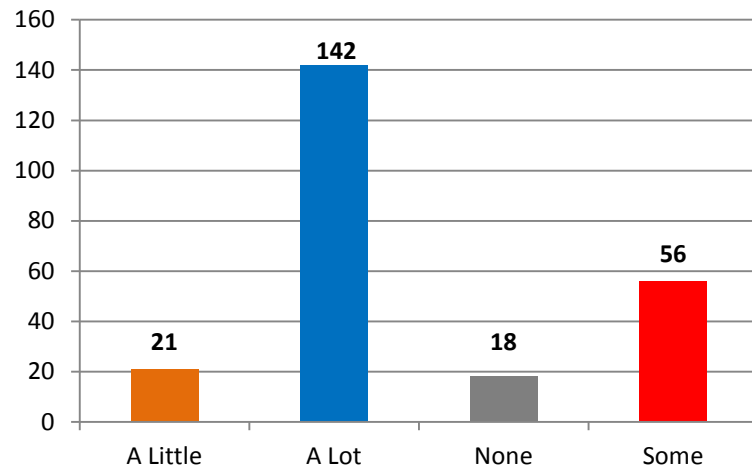
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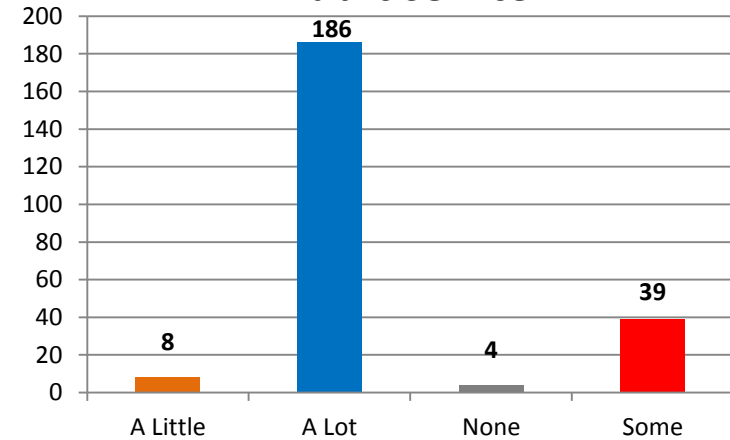
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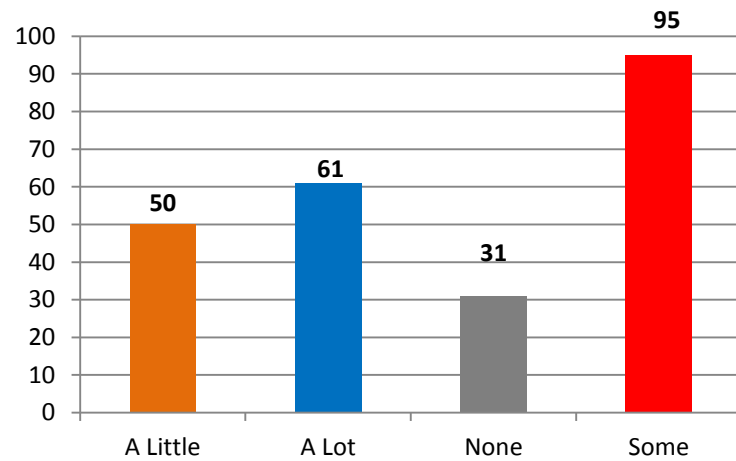
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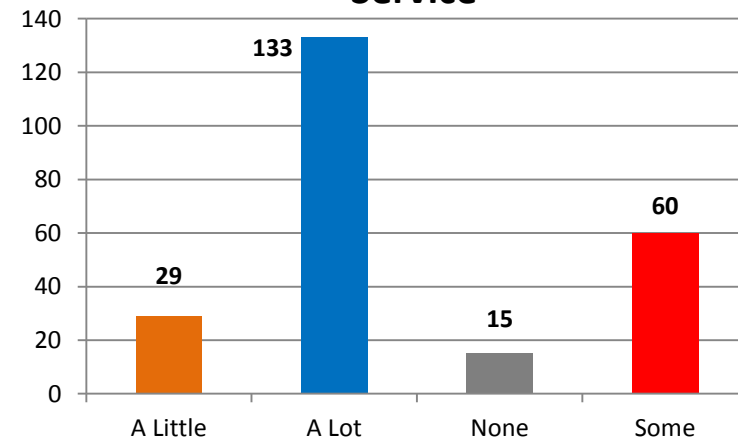
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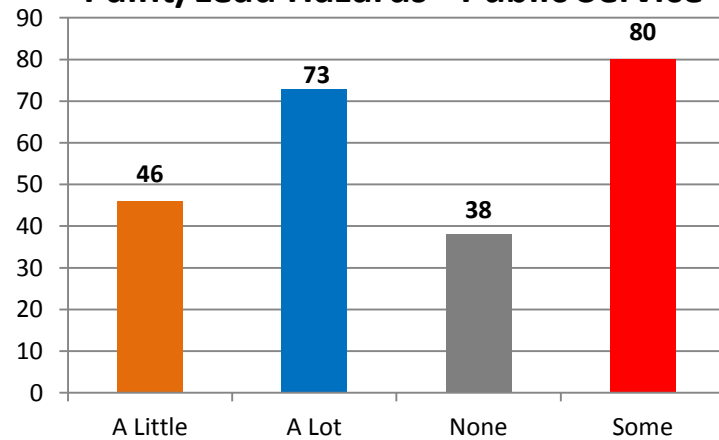
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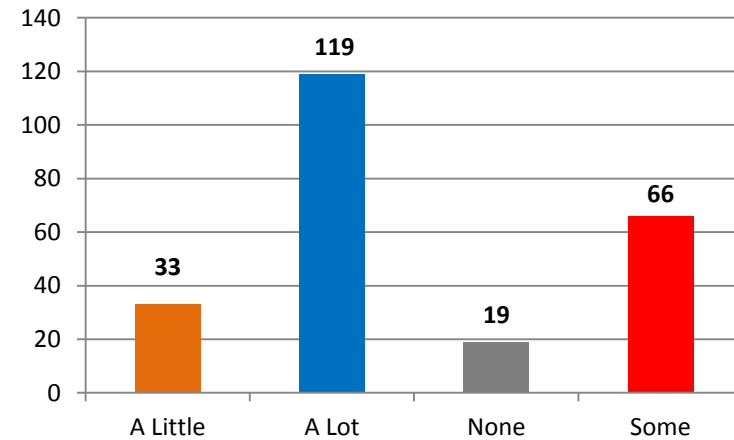
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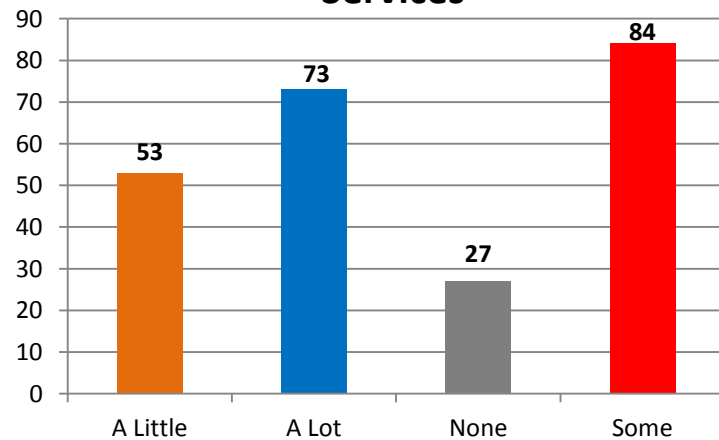
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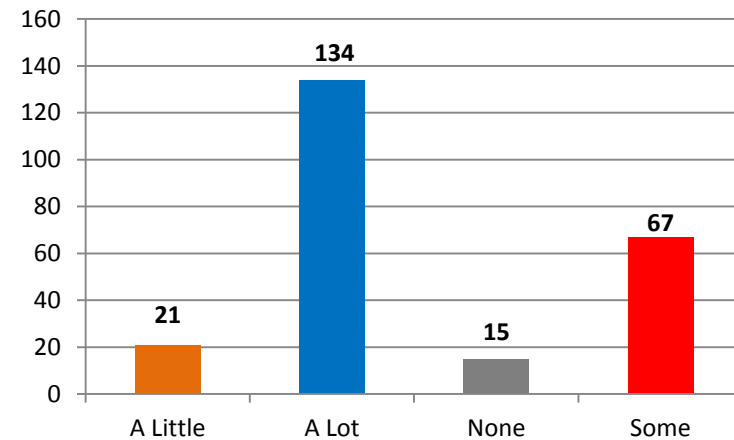
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Tenant/Landlord Counseling- Public Services

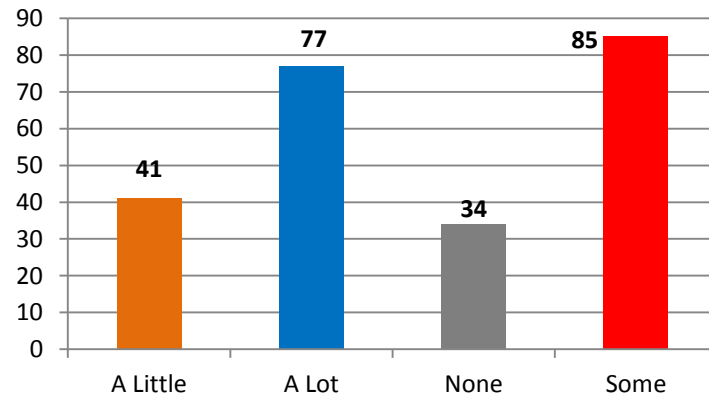


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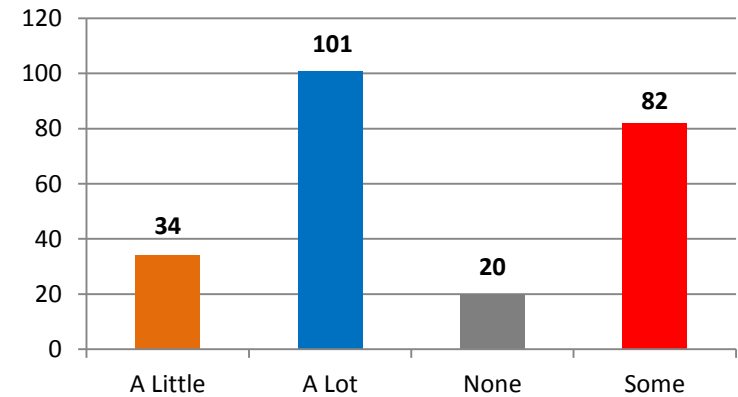


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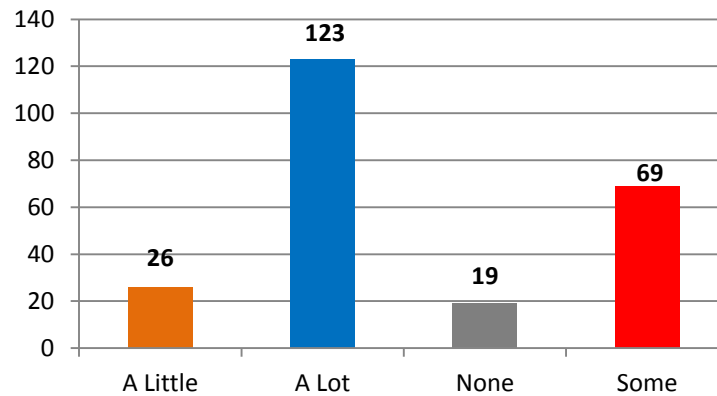
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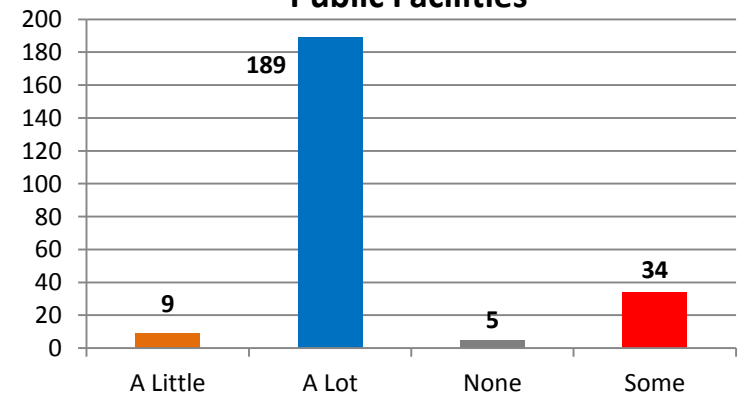
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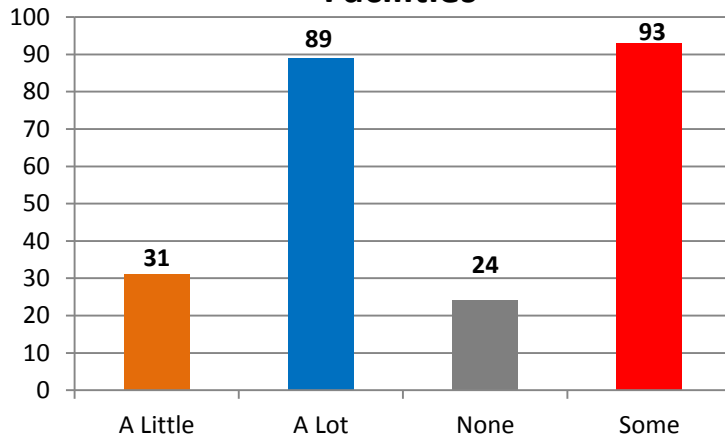
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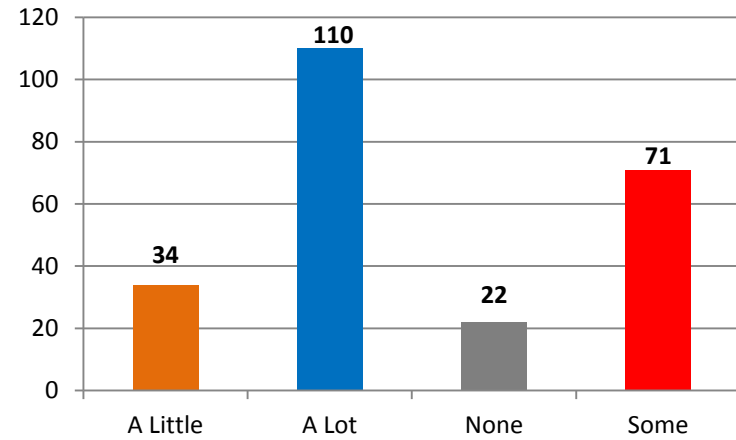
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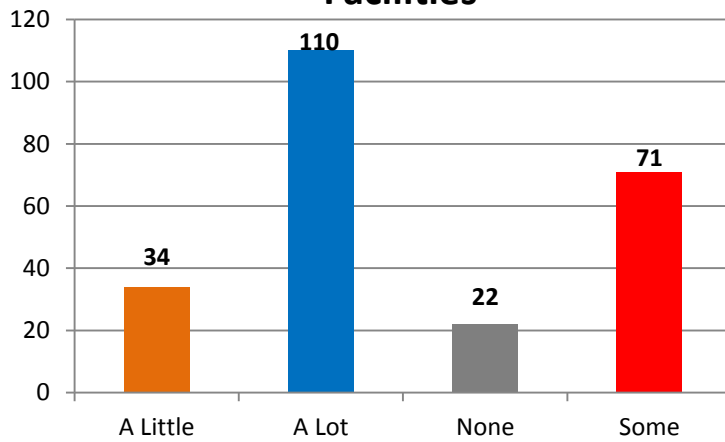
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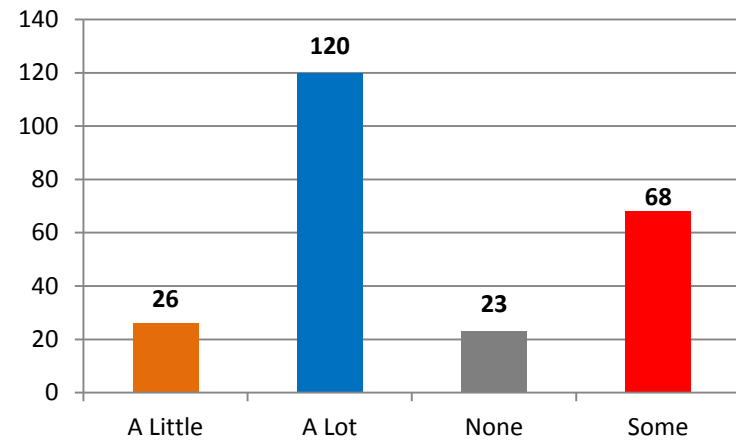
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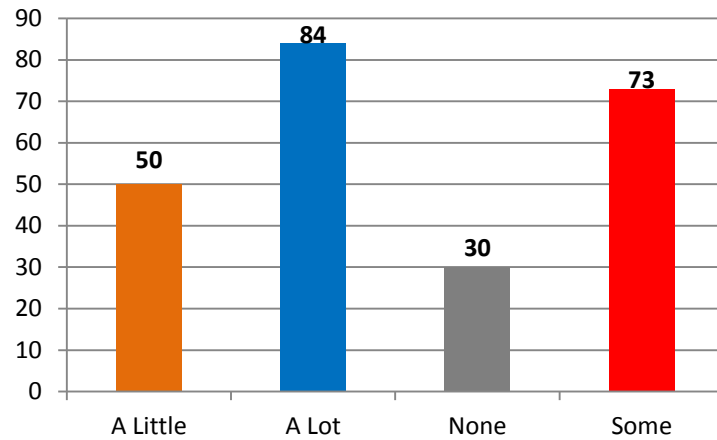
Street Improvements - Public Facilities



Sidewalks - Public Facilities



Tree Planting - Public Facilities



Youth Centers - Public Facilities

